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Sheep on Farms, July 1, 2013

Statistics Canada's semi-annual survey estimates sheep and lambs on **Saskatchewan** farms at 125 thousand head on July 1, 2013. Inventory is down 2% from the July 1, 2012 estimate.

Western Canada's sheep and lamb inventories were estimated at 467 thousand head on July 1, 2013, up 2% from a year ago.

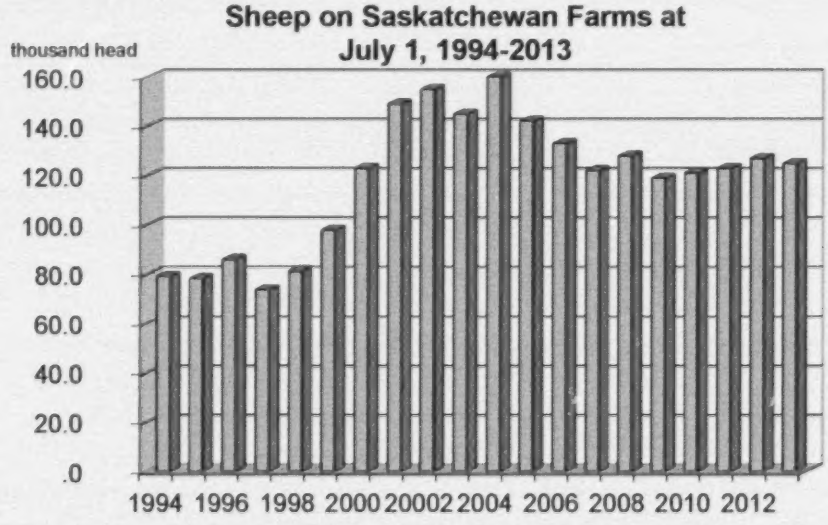
- The sheep numbers were down less than 1% from a year ago.
- The number of lambs increased 4% from 2012.

Eastern Canada's inventory was estimated at 668 thousand on July 1, 2013, down 2% from July 1, 2012.

- The sheep numbers were down 1% from a year ago.
- The number of lambs was down 2% from 2012.

Total sheep and lamb inventories in **Canada** were estimated at 1 134 600 head on July 1, 2013, down less than 1% from the July 1, 2012 estimate.

Sheep and lamb inventories have not seen significant change from 2012. If the prices continue to stay down, one may see a larger drop in inventories.



Sheep on Farms

	July 2013	July 2012	2013/2012 %
	head		
Saskatchewan			
sheep	62 300	63 700	98
rams	2 800	2 900	97
ewes	59 500	60 800	98
lambs	62 700	63 300	99
replacement	9 500	10 000	95
market	53 200	53 300	100
total	125 000	127 000	98
Western Canada			
sheep	224 000	224 400	100
rams	11 900	11 700	102
ewes	212 100	212 700	100
lambs	243 000	234 600	104
replacement	36 600	36 700	100
market	206 400	197 900	104
total	467 000	459 000	102
Eastern Canada			
sheep	371 800	376 900	99
rams	15 700	16 000	98
ewes	356 100	360 900	99
lambs	295 800	301 700	98
replacement	64 900	67 500	96
market	230 900	234 200	99
total	667 600	678 600	98
Canada			
sheep	595 800	601 300	99
rams	27 600	27 700	100
ewes	568 200	573 600	99
lambs	538 800	536 300	100
replacement	101 500	104 200	97
market	437 300	432 100	101
total	1 134 600	1 137 600	100

Source: Statistics Canada

Sheep on Saskatchewan Farms, July 1, 1994-2013

	total	breeding herd		lambs	
		rams	ewes	replacement	market
		thousand head			
2013	125.0	2.8	59.5	9.5	53.2
2012	127.0	2.9	60.8	10.0	53.3
2011	123.0	2.7	59.1	9.1	52.1
2010	121.0	2.8	56.3	9.4	52.5
2009	119.0	2.6	57.6	11.6	47.2
2008	128.0	2.9	58.7	10.8	55.6
2007	122.0	2.9	56.6	9.2	53.3
2006	133.0	2.7	64.2	13.8	52.3
2005	142.0	3.0	66.5	14.0	58.5
2004	160.0	3.2	68.1	14.5	74.2
2003	145.0	3.6	67.0	15.0	59.4
2002	155.0	3.8	70.5	17.5	63.2
2001	149.0	3.7	66.0	21.6	57.7
2000	123.0	3.3	56.2	17.2	46.3
1999	98.0	2.9	43.7	11.5	39.9
1998	81.3	2.3	34.0	10.0	35.0
1997	73.8	1.9	32.0	8.2	31.7
1996	86.0	2.7	39.5	10.5	33.3
1995	78.2	1.9	38.1	9.9	28.3
1994	79.0	2.7	36.6	12.0	27.7

Sheep on Saskatchewan Farms, January 1, 1994-2013

	total	breeding herd		lambs	
		rams	ewes	replacement	market
		thousand head			
2013	102.0	3.1	59.0	10.7	29.2
2012	98.0	2.9	57.2	9.3	28.6
2011	98.0	2.8	56.9	8.0	30.3
2010	94.0	2.8	53.5	7.7	30.0
2009	86.0	2.7	50.1	7.5	25.7
2008	91.0	2.9	51.8	11.4	24.9
2007	96.0	3.0	52.5	13.5	27.0
2006	105.0	2.8	51.0	13.7	37.5
2005	130.0	3.0	65.2	14.1	47.7
2004	125.0	2.7	61.7	13.6	47.0
2003	115.0	2.8	60.0	12.5	39.7
2002	117.2	2.7	62.6	14.8	37.1
2001	110.0	2.8	61.6	13.8	31.8
2000	91.0	2.6	54.1	11.5	22.8
1999	71.5	2.0	36.0	9.5	24.0
1998	54.7	1.9	34.1	5.9	12.8
1997	50.7	2.0	33.0	6.5	9.2
1996	68.2	2.0	38.2	7.3	20.7
1995	68.6	2.0	36.9	6.4	23.3
1994	69.0	1.9	36.3	4.7	26.1

Source: Statistics Canada